

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph at lines 11 through 16 of page 12, with the following amended paragraph:

Fig. 3 shows the step of occluding the coronary sinus with a balloon 63 of the balloon tip of the first catheter 18. The figure shows a large quantity of contrast 16 in the blood 21 distal to the occlusion 23. The inflation of the balloon 63 may be implemented from 15 minutes before to 3 seconds after injection of the contrast 16 ~~to 3 seconds after injection of the contrast 16.~~

However, the preferred time for inflation is approximately 1 second after injection of the contrast.